

House Resolution No. 3493

Whereas, as the 2006-2007 school year draws to a close, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to applaud the career achievements of those individuals who are retiring from the field of education; and

Whereas, the Trenton R-IX School District is losing a valuable member of its faculty on July 1, 2007, with the retirement of Connie G. Gates who has devoted several years of her life to the education of this state's young citizens through tireless endeavors as an educator; and

Whereas, Connie Gates has taught for thirty-three years at Rissler Elementary School, where she is held in high esteem as an educator who demonstrates considerable competence and remarkable degrees of compassion and understanding; and

Whereas, deeply committed to the great cause of learning, Connie Gates taught first grade for one year prior to assuming her responsibilities as a second grade teacher thirty-two years ago; and

Whereas, Connie Gates has watched her pupils grow, develop, and mature through the knowledge she has imparted to them both as a teacher and as a friend; and

Whereas, Connie Gates has supported her profession as a member of several school committees, the Missouri State Teachers Association, Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, and the International Reading Association, North Central Council; and

Whereas, Connie Gates has been blessed with the love and support of her wonderfully devoted husband, Lowell Gates:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join the Trenton IX School District in expressing appreciation for the unparalleled service that Connie Gates has rendered to Missouri's children and in wishing her the long, fruitful, and enjoyable retirement that she so justly deserves; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Connie G. Gates, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by _____
Representative Jim Whorton
District No. 3

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 3493, adopted May 10, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker